

(a) whether the Government propose to include some communities in the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes list under Articles 341 (2) & 342 (2) of the constitution; and

(b) if so, the time by which the constitutional amendments are likely to be brought before the Parliament?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI SITARAM KESRI): (a) and (b). The matter is under consideration.

False Affidavits for Evading Property Tax

1673. SHRI S.N. VEKARIA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the provisions made under the law for action against such of the property owners in Delhi who file false affidavits for the purposes of evading Delhi Municipal Corporation property tax on their properties; and

(b) whether any criminal proceedings are launched in such cases, if so, the details of such cases in which the proceedings were launched during the last two years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB): (a) and (b). The Municipal Corporation of Delhi has informed that there is no provision in the Delhi Municipal Corporation Act for taking action against property owners in Delhi who file false affidavits. Action is to be taken under the relevant provisions of the Indian penal Code for filing of false affidavits. No criminal proceedings have been launched in the last two years.

Construction of Telephone Exchange Building at Balasore, Orissa

1674. DR. KARTIKESWAR PATRA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of plan to construct a DTO Building, staff quarters for telephone/postal employees and to construct a telephone exchange building at Balasore (Orissa);

(b) whether land has been acquired by the Telecommunication Department; and

(c) if so, the reasons for delay in construction of buildings?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a)

(i) DTO already working in departmental building.

(ii) Telephone exchange already working in departmented building. Building will accommodate expansion of existing telephone system.

(iii) *Telecom*: 21 Staff quarters already available.
Postal : Department of Posts has approved construction of 33 Staff quarters for postal employees at Balasore during the year 1992-93 subject to availability of funds.

(b) *Telecom*: There is no plan for procurement of land in near future. However as need for long term planning, State Govt. has been requested to allot land.

Postal : A plot of land has already been acquired by the Department of posts separately for construction of Staff quarters.

(c) *Telecom*: Not applicable.

Postal : The delay in construction of quarters is due to a dispute about the acquired land and is subjudice.

Setting up of TV Relay Centres in Tamil Nadu

1675. DR. (SMT.) K.S. SOUNDARAM: Will the Minister of INFORMATION and BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) the names of places where T.V. Relay Stations are likely to be set up in Tamil Nadu during 1991-92;

(b) whether there is any proposal to set up a T.V. relay station at Erode or Tiruchengodu in Tamil Nadu; and

(c) if so, by when?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (KUMARIGIRIJA VYAS):

(a) While no TV transmitter is envisaged to be set up in Tamil Nadu during the remaining period of the current financial year (1991-92), a low power TV transmitter at Nagapattinam is planned to be set up and is expected to be commissioned during 1992-93. It is also envisaged to set up 4 more transmitters,

one each at Arcot, Mayuram, Rajapalayam and Kumbakonam in the State subject to actual availability of resources and inter-se priority.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

[*Translation*]

New producers given Chance by Doordarshan for Serials

1676. SHRIRAJNATH SONKARSHAS-TRI: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether only those producers are given priority in the field of producing serials and small feature films who have been working in this field since a long time;

(b) the number of new producers who have applied to Doordarshan for making serials or small feature films; and

(c) the number of applications rejected and the details of those whose applications have been accepted?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (KUMARIGIRIJA VYAS):

(a) No, Sir,

(b) Doordarshan does not maintain such a list of Producers.

(c) During the financial year 1991-92, 51 proposals were rejected and 26 were accepted for tele-films and tele-serials. The details of proposals accepted during the year is attached as a statement.